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Arrest made in Assembly of God Church fire investigation

El Paso - Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Robert Champion, of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Dallas Field Division and Chief Samuel Peña of the El Paso Fire Department announced today the joint investigation into the fire has led to the arrest of Dane Gordon, 25, of El Paso, TX. Mr. Gordon was taken into state custody last night on an Arrest Warrant charging him with violation of Texas Penal Code, Title 7, Section 28.02 (Arson of a Place of Worship).

The fire at the Assembly of God Church, located at 1455 Turner Road, in El Paso, TX, caused an estimated \$200,000 in damages. The ATF El Paso III Field Office and the El Paso Fire Marshal's Office have been investigating the fire since its occurrence on Nov. 30, 2014.

A complaint is a written statement of the essential facts of the offense charged and must be made under oath before a Judge of the State of Texas. A defendant is entitled to the presumption of innocence until proven guilty.

This investigation remains ongoing.

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Samuel Peña, Fire Chief

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